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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Daniel St.Cyr

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 04 April 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4,6-12,14-27 and 29-46 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 12,14-27,35,36,42 and 43 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4,6-10,29-34,37-41 and 44-46 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 29 January 1999 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 4/04/06 has been entered.

Claim Objections

2. Claims 1, 32, and 38-45 are objected to because of the following informalities:

Claim 1, line 15, "if it is determined" should be changed to --if determining--.

Claim 32, line 7, "if it is determined" should be changed to --if determining--.

Claims 38, 39, 44, and 45, lines 2 and 4, "if it is determined" should be changed to --if determining--.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

1. Claims 12, 14-24, 26, 27, 35, 36, 42, and 43 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Dozier et al, US patent No. 5,751,346.

Dozier et al disclose an image and information security comprising: means for recording images related to transactions and security in a bank, the transaction images are provided by teller cameras in a banking operation to have an image saved which shows the person who made a customer transaction so that at a later time there can be a verification of whether this transaction occurred and an image to verify the identity of the person who made the transaction; a receipt printer 46, and an electronic printer record is produced, the record is transmitted through line 52 and an interface circuit 86 to a line 92 which provides the record to the video and data channel selector 12; the printer record is received by the data switch 136 which notifies the existence of such a record via line 138 to the processor 132; each of a plurality of records received from the printers is transmitted through the line 140 to the serial buffer 142; a buffer for storing the plurality of records, wherein the buffer is controlled by the processor 132 and a computer 16. The system of Dozier et al is capable of performing all the functional and the method steps as set forth in the claims. For instance, the camera of Dozier et al is capable of capturing a first and a second image before the transaction data.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 29, 30, 37, 41, and 44-46 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
3. Claims 1-4, 6-10, 31-34, and 38-40 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection, set forth in this Office action.
4. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:
Although the prior art of record teaches a system and method for capturing video images of

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transactions and collecting transaction data and associating the video image and the transaction data in database management system, the prior art of record fails to disclose or fairly suggest all the details including determining if the input device collected transaction during the first video image so as to store the image in the database, capturing the video image before the transaction data, etc. These limitations in conjunction with other limitations in the claims were not shown by the prior art of record.

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel St.Cyr whose telephone number is 571-272-2407. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee can be reached on 571-272-2398. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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June 7, 2006

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